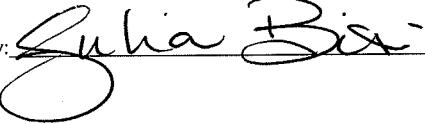


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- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months;
- 2) A Request for Continued Examination (RCE);
- 3) Copy of Hancock and Scott (2000) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., USA*, 97(16): 8856;
- 4) Copy of Gottlieb *et al.* (2008) *BMC Microbiology*, 8: 205;
- 5) Copy of Marshall and Arenas (2003) *Electron. J. Biotechnol.*, 6(2): 271-284; and
- 6) A Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132.

Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.